

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A deflecting roller for a traction mechanism drive, comprising:

an annular body, against a lateral surface of which a the traction mechanism bears, having a rolling bearing, which is comprised of an inner ring and an outer ring,

wherein the outer ring is enclosed by a holding bore of the annular body, and a the deflecting roller is fixed to a screw-on surface by means of a fastening screw which extends through a holding bore of the inner ring and a holding bore of a spacer sleeve,

wherein a distance between the screw-on surface and the deflecting roller is determined by an axial extent of the spacer sleeve which is held against the deflecting roller by means of a transport securing means, and

wherein a guide collar of the spacer sleeve is held by the holding bore of the inner ring, and the guide collar has a recess in which an elastic holding element is inserted, the elastic holding element bearing against the holding bore of the inner ring under preload, and the recess being defined by a first wall, a second wall, and a third wall, the first wall, which is shorter than the third wall, and the third wall being parallel to each other, the second wall being perpendicular to the

first wall and the third wall, providing spacing between the first wall and the second wall, and, at the first wall, the holding element being free from contact with the holding bore.

2. (Previously Presented) The deflecting roller as claimed in claim 1, wherein the holding element is formed as a slotted holding ring.
3. (Previously Presented) The deflecting roller as claimed in claim 1, wherein the holding element is formed as a plastic O-ring.
4. (Previously Presented) The deflecting roller as claimed in claim 1, wherein, in the region of its screw head, the fastening screw is centered by means of a guide step which is fitted into the holding bore of the inner ring.
5. (Previously Presented) The deflecting roller as claimed in claim 1, wherein a shoulder of the spacer sleeve is supported against an end side of the inner ring.
6. (Previously Presented) The deflecting roller as claimed in claim 1, wherein the spacer sleeve is produced from an aluminum material.
7. (Previously Presented) The deflecting roller as claimed in claim 1, wherein the rolling bearing is formed as a single-row deep groove ball bearing which is sealed off at both sides and whose ball bearings are guided in a cage.

8. (Previously Presented) The deflecting roller as claimed in claim 1, wherein the traction mechanism is a belt.